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Emmanuel Church Seeks Art Submissions for *The Arts Bloom in Weston*
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March 30, 2015 (WESTON, Conn.) -- Calling all artists for the second annual *The Arts Bloom in Weston* fundraiser at Weston's Emmanuel Church, 285 Lyons Plain Road, Weston. To salute local artists, Emmanuel has developed an evening to exhibit works in varying mediums. The celebration is designed so that artists and select non-profits simultaneously benefit.

The Arts Bloom will be held on Saturday, May 16 from 6:00 - 9:00 pm and includes both a live and silent auction, as well as wine and refreshments. There will be live music performed by pianist, Justine Macurdy of the Schubert Club, and the dress code is Smart Casual attire. Tickets are \$35 per person and can be purchased at <http://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-arts-bloom-in-weston-tickets-16353449608>. All are invited to take in the local talent and purchase from the array of displayed artwork.

The Arts Bloom in Weston committee is seeking works of Fairfield County professional and amateur artists in the following categories: paintings, ceramics, mixed media, textiles, collages, sculpture, glass, drawing, print making, artisan furniture and photography. Student

work is also welcome. Artists will receive a minimum price requested for works sold. A portion of the total proceeds from the event will benefit the non-profits, Weston's Friends of Lachat (www.friendsoflachat.org) and The Schubert Club of Fairfield County (www.schubertclub.org). Art should be dropped off at Emmanuel's Church Hall during these dates/hours: Wednesday, May 13 and Thursday, May 14, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm. (To arrange an alternate drop off time, call the Emmanuel office at 203.227.8565).

Artist entry fees are \$25 for the first piece; \$15 for subsequent works and includes admission to the event. Instructions and applications can be found at Emmanuel's website at www.emmanuelweston.org.

"Last year's launch of *The Arts Bloom* was a great success. Emmanuel continues the tradition of recognizing area artists and raising funds for worthy non-profit organizations -- the evening is an altogether win-win for the community at large," said Chris Juneau, planning committee member and artist, herself.

For more information on *The Arts Bloom in Weston*, contact the Emmanuel Church office at 203.227.8565.

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PHOTO: "Poppy Power," a painting by Carole McClintock, will be auctioned at *The Arts Bloom in Weston* at Emmanuel Church, 285 Lyons Plain Road, Weston on Saturday, May 16 at 6:00 pm. For details, visit www.emmanuelweston.org.